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## Fulbright Says Report Is 'Soft'

Chairman J. William Fulbright (D., Ark.) said today the Senate Foreign Relations Committee's report on the U-2 incident and summit conference failure was "very soft in its criticisms."

Sen. Fulbright termed the report, issued Saturday, a "very thoro factual account" but he said it was overly moderate and failed to deal strongly enough with some of the most important issues.

Nevertheless, he said, it was the best report on which a majority of the committee could agree. Sen. Fulbright said he expected to outline his own views in a Senate speech within the next day or so.

The report, signed by 14 of the committee's 17 members, accused the Eisenhower Administration of mishandling the spy plane incident at almost every important point.

It said there was good reason to conclude that the U-2 flight should not have been made just prior to the summit conference. It said the Paris Big Four meeting probably would have been held if the incident had not taken place, altho prospects for success were slight.

Sen. Alexander Wiley (R., Wis.), the committee's top Republican member, and Sen. Frank J. Lausche (D., O.), attached a joint minority statement and Sen. Homer E. Cayeheart (R., Ind.) issued a statement opposing the report, saying it was not in the nation's best interests. (AP)